

Timeline Information

<p>1701</p> <p>Antoine Cadillac and a company of soldiers and fur traders land on the present site of Detroit. They build a crude log fort called Fort Pontchartrain.</p>	<p>1818</p> <p>Walk-in-the-Water, the first steamboat on the Great Lakes, arrives in Detroit and travel by water becomes much quicker.</p>
<p>1760</p> <p>The British take control of Detroit.</p>	<p>1875</p> <p>Frederick Sanders invents the ice cream soda at his candy and ice cream store in Detroit.</p>
<p>1881</p> <p>Joseph Hudson opens his first clothing store.</p>	<p>1999</p> <p>The first casino in Detroit opens.</p>
<p>1815</p> <p>Detroit is incorporated as a city and it begins to grow more quickly.</p>	<p>2000</p> <p>Comerica Park opens.</p>
<p>1835</p> <p>William Lambert and others operate the Detroit connection of the Underground Railroad.</p>	<p>1783</p> <p>Major Douglass enters Detroit and it becomes part of the new country called the United States.</p>

<p>1837</p> <p>Michigan becomes a state with Detroit as its capital.</p>	<p>1973</p> <p>Coleman Young becomes Detroit's first African-American mayor.</p>
<p>1838</p> <p>The Detroit-Pontiac railway is completed and era of railroad transportation begins.</p>	<p>1913</p> <p>Henry Ford introduces the assembly line, which allows cars to be made quicker and cheaper.</p>
<p>1889</p> <p>Detroit's first skyscraper, the 10-story Hammond Building, is finished.</p>	<p>1935</p> <p>The Detroit Tigers win the World Series, the Detroit Lions are the NFL champs, and the Red Wings win the Stanley Cup.</p>
<p>1903</p> <p>The Ford Motor Company is formed.</p>	<p>1850</p> <p>The population of Detroit has grown to 21,000 and shipping is the city's biggest industry.</p>
<p>1920</p> <p>Detroit's population reaches one million.</p>	<p>1963</p> <p>A large March for Freedom is held with Dr. Martin Luther King as main speaker.</p>

<p>1929</p> <p>The Ambassador Bridge to Canada is completed.</p>	<p>1987</p> <p>The Detroit People Mover opens.</p>
<p>1930</p> <p>The Detroit-Windsor Tunnel opens.</p>	<p>2001</p> <p>Detroit celebrates its 300th birthday.</p>
<p>1950</p> <p>Detroit's population reaches a peak of 1,849,568 people.</p>	<p>1879</p> <p>Belle Isle, an island on the Detroit River, is purchased as a city park.</p>
<p>1959</p> <p>Berry Gordy founds Motown Records.</p>	<p>1909</p> <p>The first mile of paved road in the country was built on Woodward Avenue.</p>
<p>1977</p> <p>The Renaissance Center opens.</p>	<p>1925</p> <p>The first Hudson's Thanksgiving Day Parade is held.</p>